

Table 59-1 Percentage of 25- to 29-year-olds who completed high school, by race-ethnicity and sex: March 1971–98

| March | All | | | White | | | Black | | | Hispanic | | |
|-------|-------|------|--------|-------|------|--------|-------|------|--------|----------|------|--------|
| | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female |
| 1971 | 77.7 | 79.1 | 76.5 | 81.7 | 83.0 | 80.5 | 58.8 | 56.7 | 60.5 | 48.3 | 51.3 | 45.7 |
| 1972 | 79.8 | 80.5 | 79.2 | 83.4 | 84.1 | 82.7 | 64.1 | 61.7 | 66.0 | 47.6 | 47.1 | 47.9 |
| 1973 | 80.2 | 80.6 | 79.8 | 84.0 | 84.2 | 83.9 | 64.1 | 63.2 | 64.9 | 52.3 | 54.2 | 50.6 |
| 1974 | 81.9 | 83.1 | 80.8 | 85.5 | 86.0 | 85.0 | 68.4 | 71.5 | 65.8 | 54.1 | 55.9 | 52.5 |
| 1975 | 83.1 | 84.5 | 81.7 | 86.6 | 88.0 | 85.2 | 71.1 | 72.3 | 70.1 | 53.1 | 52.2 | 53.9 |
| 1976 | 84.7 | 86.0 | 83.5 | 87.7 | 89.0 | 86.4 | 74.0 | 72.8 | 74.9 | 58.1 | 57.6 | 58.4 |
| 1977 | 85.4 | 86.6 | 84.2 | 88.6 | 89.2 | 88.0 | 74.5 | 77.5 | 72.0 | 58.0 | 61.9 | 54.6 |
| 1978 | 85.3 | 86.0 | 84.6 | 88.5 | 88.8 | 88.2 | 77.4 | 78.7 | 76.3 | 56.5 | 58.5 | 54.6 |
| 1979 | 85.6 | 86.3 | 84.9 | 89.2 | 89.8 | 88.5 | 74.7 | 74.0 | 75.3 | 57.1 | 55.5 | 58.6 |
| 1980 | 85.4 | 85.4 | 85.5 | 89.2 | 89.1 | 89.2 | 76.7 | 74.8 | 78.3 | 57.9 | 57.0 | 58.8 |
| 1981 | 86.3 | 86.5 | 86.1 | 89.8 | 89.7 | 89.9 | 77.6 | 78.8 | 76.6 | 59.8 | 59.1 | 60.4 |
| 1982 | 86.2 | 86.3 | 86.1 | 89.1 | 89.1 | 89.1 | 81.0 | 80.4 | 81.5 | 61.0 | 60.6 | 61.2 |
| 1983 | 86.0 | 86.0 | 86.0 | 89.3 | 89.3 | 89.3 | 79.5 | 79.0 | 79.9 | 58.4 | 57.8 | 58.9 |
| 1984 | 85.9 | 85.6 | 86.3 | 89.4 | 89.4 | 89.4 | 79.1 | 75.9 | 81.7 | 58.6 | 56.7 | 60.1 |
| 1985 | 86.2 | 85.9 | 86.4 | 89.5 | 89.2 | 89.9 | 80.5 | 80.6 | 80.5 | 61.0 | 58.6 | 63.1 |
| 1986 | 86.1 | 85.9 | 86.4 | 89.6 | 88.7 | 90.4 | 83.5 | 86.4 | 81.0 | 59.1 | 58.2 | 60.0 |
| 1987 | 86.0 | 85.5 | 86.4 | 89.4 | 88.9 | 90.0 | 83.5 | 84.5 | 82.6 | 59.8 | 58.6 | 61.0 |
| 1988 | 85.9 | 84.7 | 87.1 | 89.7 | 88.4 | 90.9 | 80.9 | 80.9 | 80.9 | 62.3 | 59.9 | 64.8 |
| 1989 | 85.5 | 84.4 | 86.5 | 89.3 | 88.2 | 90.4 | 82.3 | 80.5 | 83.8 | 61.0 | 61.0 | 61.1 |
| 1990 | 85.7 | 84.4 | 87.0 | 90.1 | 88.6 | 91.6 | 81.8 | 81.4 | 82.0 | 58.2 | 56.6 | 59.9 |
| 1991 | 85.4 | 84.9 | 85.8 | 89.8 | 89.2 | 90.5 | 81.8 | 83.6 | 80.1 | 56.7 | 56.4 | 57.2 |
| 1992 | 86.3 | 86.1 | 86.5 | 90.6 | 90.3 | 91.1 | 80.9 | 82.7 | 79.3 | 60.9 | 61.1 | 60.6 |
| 1993 | 86.7 | 86.0 | 87.4 | 91.2 | 90.7 | 91.8 | 82.7 | 84.8 | 80.8 | 60.9 | 58.2 | 63.9 |
| 1994 | 86.1 | 84.5 | 87.6 | 91.1 | 90.0 | 92.3 | 84.1 | 82.8 | 85.3 | 60.3 | 58.0 | 63.0 |
| 1995 | 86.9 | 86.3 | 87.4 | 92.5 | 92.0 | 93.0 | 86.8 | 88.4 | 85.3 | 57.2 | 55.7 | 58.7 |
| 1996 | 87.3 | 86.5 | 88.1 | 92.6 | 92.0 | 93.1 | 86.0 | 87.9 | 84.5 | 61.1 | 59.7 | 62.9 |
| 1997 | 87.4 | 85.8 | 88.9 | 92.9 | 91.7 | 94.0 | 86.9 | 85.8 | 87.8 | 61.8 | 59.2 | 64.8 |
| 1998 | 88.1 | 86.6 | 89.6 | 93.6 | 92.5 | 94.6 | 88.2 | 88.4 | 88.1 | 62.8 | 59.9 | 66.3 |

NOTE: The Current Population Survey (CPS) questions used to obtain educational attainment were changed in 1992. See the supplemental note to this indicator for further discussion. In 1994, the survey instrument for the CPS was changed and weights were adjusted. See the supplemental note to *Indicator 51* for further discussion. Included in totals but not shown separately are other racial-ethnic groups.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, March Current Population Surveys.